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<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/799,619	SAITOH ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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**-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--**

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed on 11/30/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7 and 9-11.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br/>Paper No./Mail Date _____</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br/>of Biological Material</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)</li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br/>Paper No./Mail Date _____</li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment</li> <li>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</li> </ol> |
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***Allowable Subject Matter***

1. Claims 1-7 and 9-11 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
3. As to claims 1 and 10, the prior arts of record do not anticipate or render obvious to one skilled in the art an electro-optical apparatus comprising various elements as claimed, more specifically at least one of the plate holding at least a portion of the peripheral region of the electro-optical device and the cover include a resin member to fix the electro-optical device to the mounting case and a metal member made of plate shaped member having a window corresponding to the image display region in the electro-optical device, the resin member and the metal member being provided in the cover and the resin member molded on the plate shaped member.
4. As to claim 3, the prior arts of record do not anticipate or render obvious to one skilled in the art an electro-optical device comprising various elements as claimed, more specifically at least one of the plate holding at least a portion of the peripheral region of the electro-optical device and the cover include a resin member to fix the electro-optical device to the mounting case and a metal member having a window corresponding to the image display region in the electro-optical device, the cover including an attaching portion to attach the electro-optical device encased in the mounting case to an attached portion of a projection display device and the attaching portion provided at a side of the plate of the resin member.

The closest reference Kazuya (JP '756) discloses an electro-optical

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apparatus that includes an electro-optical device having an image display region on which light from a light source is incident light and a peripheral region around the image display region and a mounting case including a plate disposed so as to face one surface of the electro-optical device and a cover whose portions abuts against the plate, at least a portion of the peripheral region of the electro-optical device held by at least one of the plate and the cover and at least one of the plate and the cover include a resin member to fix the electro-optical device to the mounting case and a metal member having a window corresponding to the image display region in the electro-optical device.

However, Kazuya alone or in combination fail to teach or suggest the claimed apparatus

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

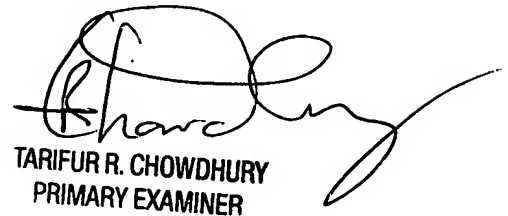
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tarifur R. Chowdhury whose telephone number is (571) 272-2287. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th (6:30-5:00) Friday Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Kim can be reached on (571) 272-2293. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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